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CHARTER FOR

CRITICAL COLLECTION PROBLEMS COMMITTEE (CCPC)

1. In order to stimulate and improve collection action in certain foreign intelligence fields, a Critical Collection Problems Committee (CCPC) of the IAC is hereby established by the Director of Central Intelligence with the concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Committee and the United States Communications Intelligence Board. The committee will concern itself with the collection of intelligence on certain critical problems specifically referred to it by the Intelligence Advisory Committee or by USCIB through the IAC. Actions or recommendations involving COMINT matters shall be handled through appropriate COMINT mechanisms. In dealing with critical collection problems, the committee is charged with the following responsibilities:

a. Making an inventory of collection capabilities and actions being taken or planned in order to satisfy highest priority requirements.

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b. Allocating, where practicable by agreement among the member agencies, action that should be taken to improve intelligence collection capabilities or, alternatively, making recommendations through appropriate channels as to additional collection or support actions that should be taken.

c. Fostering the generation of new ideas and techniques for collecting, selecting those that are worthwhile, and assisting their expeditious development and deployment.

d. Studying the results of collection actions in order to recommend action for improvement.

e. Recommending actions to improve speed, relevancy and accuracy of collection and transmission of information.

2. To discharge these responsibilities the CCPC is authorized to have direct access to officials responsible for and cognizant of U. S. operations for the collection of foreign intelligence; and such officials will be responsible for supporting the committee on its request with relevant information, as necessary, on collection capabilities in being, planned or potential -- under appropriate safeguards to protect operations security.

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3. Committees, such as JAEIC, EIC, SEC, and GMIC, shall continue to recommend national priority intelligence objectives, determine gaps in information, recommend collection requirements, and establish relative priorities on substantive needs within over-all national intelligence objectives. Present collection coordination committees, such as the IPC, ARC, EAC, and IDC, shall support the actions of the committee by coordinating detailed requirements in their respective fields.

4. Representation on the committee may include members from the departments or agencies represented on either the Intelligence Advisory Committee or the United States Communications Intelligence Board. The committee shall be provided with a full-time technical secretary. The chairman shall be provided by the Director of Central Intelligence.

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